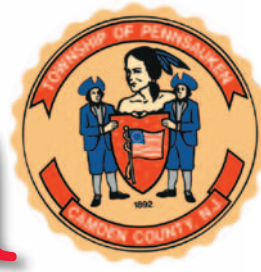


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Food Truck Event Returns September 15



Pennsauken Township is following up last month's successful Bite Night with another food truck event on Thursday, Sept. 15 from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. at Municipal Complex, 5605 N. Crescent Blvd.

Pennsauken Township is following up August's successful Bite Night with another food truck event on the third Thursday of September.

"Last month's Bite Night was a well attended event, with a steady flow of residents coming out on a warm August evening to enjoy a variety of food trucks," says Pennsauken Mayor John Kneib. "This month's event will have even more food trucks in attendance for another great evening."

Pennsauken's Bite Night will be held on Thursday, Sept. 15 from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Pennsauken Township Municipal Complex, 5605 N. Crescent Blvd. This month's event will feature more mobile food purveyors, including Braz-b-q, Cooper River Lunch and Munch, "Lil" Trent's Grille, Mannino's Cannoli Express, and Not Your Mama's Tacos, all of which are making a return appearance from last month. Price ranges for food offerings will

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Pennsauken Celebrates Fall With Car And Bike Show, Harvest Festival

By Frank Sinatra, AAP Editor

Fall is in the air, and with it two annual Pennsauken events are right around the corner: the 24th annual Car, Bike and Craft Show, held on Sunday, Sept. 18; and the third annual Harvest Festival, held on Saturday, Oct. 8. Each event offers a wonderful opportunity for members of the Pennsauken community to come together.

Start Your Engines

Pennsauken Township, the Pennsauken-Merchantville Area Chamber of Commerce, and Pinsetter Bar and Bowl present the town's 24th annual Car, Bike and Craft Show. Held on Sunday, Sept. 18 from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., hundreds of antique, classic and custom cars and motorcycles will line up along a stretch of the "Maple Mile" that runs from Canning to Union avenues in Pennsauken, and in-



Pennsauken hosts its 24th annual Car Bike And Craft Show along Maple Ave. on Sunday, Sept. 18 from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

cludes the parking lot for Pinsetter Bar and Bowl, 7111 Maple Ave. The popular craft show, now in its fourth year, continues

to grow with 40 vendors anticipated to attend. In addition, the Pennsauken Car, *continued on page 29*

Third Annual Pennsauken Job Fair Scheduled For September 15



The third annual Pennsauken Job Fair will be held on Thursday, Sept. 15 at Living Faith Christian Center.

By Frank Sinatra, AAP Editor

Pennsauken Township, the Business, Industry, and Government Council of Pennsauken, and Living Faith Christian Center are hosting the Township's third annual job fair on Thursday, Sept. 15. The event, held from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Living Faith Christian Center, located at 2323 Rt. 73 in Pennsauken, will allow job seekers to connect with local businesses and organizations with open positions.

"We've had a lot of success with our past job fairs and we continue to remain focused on helping our residents find work," says Pennsauken Mayor John Kneib. "Our town's in a pretty unique po-

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Historic Open House

The Historic Burrough-Dover House, 9201 Burrough-Dover Ln., will hold an open house on Sunday, Sept. 4 from 1:00-4:00 p.m. The 306-year-old home will be open for tours. Admission and parking is free. For more information on this and other events, visit Facebook.com/PennsaukenHistoricalSociety.

American Legion

American Legion Fredrick W. Griggs Post 68 will meet at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 8. These monthly meetings are held at the Merchantville Community Center, 212 Somerset Ave. in Merchantville. All veterans who served during qualifying conflicts are welcome to join.

AARP

AARP Chapter 2861 will hold its monthly meeting on Monday, Sept. 12 at the PYAA Field House, 3501 Elm St.

Social time is at 12:30 p.m.; meeting begins at 1:00 p.m. After a short business meeting, we will be having a special talk on "A Place for Mom." Come out and join us, bring a friend or neighbor.

Cigar Dinner And Fundraiser

The Rotary Club of Pennsauken-Merchantville is hosting a cigar dinner and fundraiser on Monday, Sept. 12 from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. at Best of the Wurst, Lightning Jack Marina, 625 Harrison St., Riverside. Featuring a buffet style dinner and a pack of four cigars, courtesy of Cigar Alley at the News Nook, Merchantville. The cost is \$70 per person and tickets must be purchased in advance. Proceeds benefit Pennsauken's first responders and help provide scholarships to local graduates. For more information or to purchase tickets, call Rick at (856) 665-0923.

Pennsauken Job Fair

The third annual Pennsauken Job Fair will be held on Thursday, Sept. 15 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Living Faith Christian Center, 2323 Rt. 73, Pennsauken. Well over a dozen businesses actively looking for new employees as well as several job placement agencies will be in attendance. Job seekers are also encouraged to attend a Job Readiness Seminar in advance of the job fair on Thursday, Sept. 8, 6:00 p.m. at Living Faith Christian Center. For more information, visit www.twp.pennsauken.nj.us/content/pennsauken-job-fair-2016.

Yard Sale

St. Matthew's U.M.C., 1665 Derousse Ave., Delair, is hosting a church and community yard sale on Saturday, Sept. 17 from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Featuring crafts, harvest items, baby clothes, Christmas items, books, plus size clothing, personal care items, and more.

Ham Dinner

Mary Queen of All Saints Parish will be hosting a deluxe ham dinner on Saturday, Sept. 17 in Saint Cecilia's School Hall,

4851 Camden Ave., Pennsauken. Held from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m., the meal includes ham, green beans, baked potato, coleslaw, homemade apple sauce, rolls and dessert. Coffee, tea, iced tea and lemonade will also be served. BYOB is welcome and musical entertainment will be provided. Take out is also available. Tickets are \$12 for adults; \$5 for children. Call (856) 662-2721 for tickets and information.

Youth Bowling League

The Saturday Morning Youth League will begin on Saturday, Sept. 17, 9:30 a.m. at Pinsetter Bowling Center, 7111 Maple Ave., Pennsauken. The League runs 28 weeks and has three age divisions: bantam, ages 5-8; preps, ages 9-12; and junior/majors, ages 13-20. Individual coaching is given to all participants. There will also be holiday parties and a year-end banquet. For more information, call (856) 663-3425.

Flea Market

Knights of Columbus Council #3512 will be hosting a flea market at St. Cecilia's School Yard, 49th St. and Westfield Ave., on Saturday, Sept. 24 from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Vendor spaces (bring your

own table) are \$15. A limited amount of tables are available to rent for \$10 each. Rain date is Saturday, Oct. 1. For more information, contact Lonnie Monaco at (856) 662-6049.

Tom Thumb Wedding

Athene Chapter #201, O.E.S. is hosting a Tom Thumb Wedding and luncheon on Saturday, Sept. 24, 12:30 p.m., at Merchantville Masonic Lodge, 6926 Park Ave., Pennsauken. Donations are \$15 for adults, \$10 for children. Attendees are asked to R.S.V.P. to Charlene at (856) 667-4625 by Friday, Sept. 16.

Class of '66 Reunion

Pennsauken High School Class of '66 is holding its 50th reunion on Saturday, Sept. 24 from 7:30 to 11:30 p.m. at the Pennsauken Country Club 5600 Haddonfield Rd. Cost is \$75 per person; the deadline for payment is Wednesday, Sept. 7. Make checks and money orders payable to "PHS '66 50th Reunion" and mail to James Herman, Esq., 2 Bellows Ln., Cherry Hill, N.J. 08002. E-mail jherman00@comcast.net or call (856) 667-3663 for more information.

Music Fest

The Merchantville Music Fest will be held on Saturday, Oct. 1, 5:00 to 10:00 p.m. in the triangle lot between Park Ave., and Centre and Chestnut streets. Featuring great live music and food trucks. For more information, visit Facebook.com/merchantvillemusicfest.

Toy And Collectible Street Fair

Play With This Toys & Collectibles and Merchantville Public Events are hosting a toy and collectible street fair on Saturday, Oct. 8 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Held along West Park Ave. in Merchantville, adjacent to the Borough Hall, the event showcases a variety of new and vintage toys, games, and collectibles for sale. Featuring special appearances, raffles and more. For more information, visit "Play With This Toys & Collectibles" on Facebook.

Double Dozen Performance

Pennsauken High School's Double Dozen presents "A Tribute to America," Tuesday, Oct. 18 at 7:00 p.m. Don't miss this beautiful celebration of our country! The performance is held at Pennsauken High School, located at 800 Hylton Rd. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 for students and seniors. Servicemen and women gain free admission with their military I.D. For more information, call (856) 662-8500 x5273.

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MAYOR'S CORNER Teaching Important Lessons In And Out Of The Classroom



By John Kneib,
Mayor of
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Summer is quickly moving into fall and our community is officially in "back to school" mode." For the most part, our young people are relatively excited to get back to class. While there's some mixed opinions on homework and projects, children can't wait to see their friends and start another year of learning. And we all know that their parents are excited that school is starting again, too. So as the kids get back into the school routine, our Pennsauken community should as well.

First, we all know that traffic in the morning is going to be a little more chal-

lenging with all of the school buses. But the job of these bus drivers is to make sure children get to school safely. There will also be some kids walking to school. Please keep an eye out for them. Sometimes they do seem like they come out of nowhere. By being patient behind the wheel and leaving a little extra drive time in the morning and afternoon, these school-related traffic delays won't impact your weekdays as much.

For parents and guardians of school age children, it's vital for them to support their kids in all aspects of their education. Being there to help with extracurricular activities, like sports and clubs, is fantastic; but it is equally important – if not more so – to assist with the academic pursuits at home as well. I realize that for many, this is preaching to the choir, but this is a message that can't be stressed

enough. Children look to the special people in their lives for guidance and support. We cannot let them down.

And finally, it is extremely important to realize that learning doesn't stop when the school bell rings at the end of the day. Whether you have children in school or not, you're teaching our young people lessons every day. These kids are pretty bright. They're watching as you interact with other adults, when you're trying in vain to find a convenient parking space close to the supermarket. They see how you treat your neighbor down the street who sometimes plays their music too loud. And they can't help but overhear the conversation you're having on your cell phone about your obnoxious co-worker.

So what are we teaching our young people with our actions? Our words? With how we treat other people? There are

some days, when we're not at the top of our games, where we're not going to like the answer. It really does happen to everyone. But instead of dwelling on how we're teaching our young people NOT to act, let's instead focus on being positive role models. Let's show patience instead of frustration; compassion as opposed to anger; and generosity to replace selfishness. Let's put down our phones, walk away from our computers, and turn off our TVs. Spend time with our young people. Volunteer to help our youth. Show them that you care. By doing so, we're building the foundation of the next generation of successful adults who lead by examples of compassion and commitment to community.

On behalf of myself and the entire Pennsauken Township Committee, I wish you and your loved ones a great start to the school year.

PENNSAUKEN SEPTEMBER PUBLIC MEETINGS

Township Committee
5:30 p.m. Wednesday,
September 7, 21 and 28

Zoning Board of Adjustment
7:00 p.m. Wednesday,
September 7 and 21

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6:30 p.m. Tuesday,
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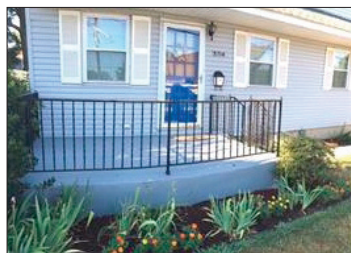
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Pennsauken – Four Bedrooms!

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Southampton – Country Living Without the Drive!

This country colonial home is nestled on 1.04+/- wooded acres. Beautifully restored with new spice maple cabinetry, granite counters, ceramic tile back-splash and top of the line dramatic black onyx appliances. Spacious living room with its hard wood flooring, large cozy wood burning stove, with skylights and vaulted ceiling. Newer roof, siding, septic, paint, landscaping, fencing, fire-place facing, gas burning stove in F/R and 1 year old refrigerator. OVER the TOP 3 car 850+/- sq. ft. detached garage. \$289,725



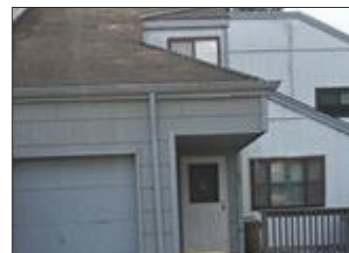
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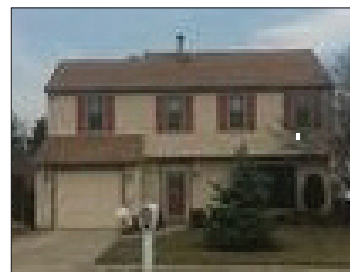
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Pennsauken – Chadwyck

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Local Girls Learn Grace-Filled Lessons Through Special Program

By Frank Sinatra, AAP Editor

This summer, eight young girls from Pennsauken and Delair took part in a special two-week program designed to help them to achieve their goals through grace-filled adventures and exploration.

Grace in the Mud provides fully immersive enrichment programs for young girls ages 9, 10 and 11. Now in its second

year, the non-profit organization is the brainchild of Donna Romani, a behavior consultant who has volunteered for 20 years in Pennsauken, assisting Saint Cecilia's Little Angels program.

"The actual root of [Grace in the Mud] did start with the girls predominantly from Pennsauken and Delair," says Romani. "I help Little Angels when they have any be-

havior problems or families who are struggling with certain situations."

Throughout her career, Romani has recognized the need to provide young girls on the road to adulthood with the tools they need to meet the challenges of life head on. That's what Grace in the Mud provides, through uniquely designed programs that promote positive identity formation, character development, and civic responsibility through community service. These experiences are designed to help develop "grit," which renowned psychologist Angela Duckworth describes as a character trait used to deal with life's obstacles.

"Grit is made up of passion and perseverance. Yet if you don't have experiences to explore your passions, then how are we best equipping children, especially girls who are on the new dawn of their bodies changing and their hormones changing so rapidly during this time? The data impels us to look at growing their passions."

Part of that growing process is a fully immersive, two-week summer program, through which girls gain exposure to unique areas of interest and learn from local experts on interesting topics of

choice. The touchstones of Grace in the Mud's mission are positively reinforced in the curriculum and every experience. Afterwards, the girls and their families are welcome to meet once each month for dinner, building on the grace-filled process of preparing girls for adulthood. And the girls are responding to the message.

"Before I came to Grace in the Mud, I never used to think that grace mattered," says Emily K. "Now I think that grace really matters. Every girl and every boy should have grace. Grace is loyalty, it's having good manners. Grace is a lot of good things."

"I'm going to have manners. If someone's being rude to me, I'm not going to say something mean. I'm going to be peaceful and graceful," adds Amanda C. "I'll just say something nice. And if I



Grace in the Mud provides fully immersive enrichment programs for young girls ages 9, 10 and 11. The non-profit, now in its second year, has its roots in Pennsauken.

can't say something nice, I just won't say anything."

While the cost of the program averages about \$1,500 per child, no family pays a cent to participate. Grace in the Mud relies solely on the generosity of donors to offer this unique program.

"Funding is essential, because we're a start up. It takes a while to establish grants and a funding base. Providing transportation is also a big hurdle," explains Romani. "Still, we're blessed with volunteers and a lot of community support."

"There aren't any other programs that are like this. There are a lot of camps that may have activities, but there's no program that is encompassing everything that Grace in the Mud does," adds Kimberly Friend, staff member. "We also have all of the data to support the background. We actually have a way to measure the impact, which no other program does. So it really is a unique opportunity for the girls."

To find out more about Grace in the Mud, or to make a donation, visit www.graceinthemud.org/home.html.

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Monument To Recognize Pennsauken Veterans

By Frank Sinatra, AAP Editor

Pete DiAntonio grew up off of Sharon Terrace on 40th St. A member of Pennsauken High School's Class of '68, he served in the United States Navy on an amphibious transport during the Vietnam War. In 1970, DiAntonio came home to much different reaction to the one he received as he left.

"People just ignored us like we had a plague," explained DiAntonio. "They didn't want to be near us. We were known as 'baby killers.' Vietnam veterans live with this, day in and day out. In fact, it's really been a tough road for most of our veterans."

That's why the veterans monument, currently under construction at Pennsauken High School, means such much to those who served their country in the Armed Forces, particularly for alumni like Pete, who served in a decidedly divisive war that was unpopular at home.

"It's hard for me to talk about some of the things I feel inside," says DiAntonio. "This wall will get some of our people over that hump and say, 'Wow. People do care about us.' And there are people that do care about us."

"In this stage of our lives, we realize the debt that we owe to those who went before us. We know that freedom isn't free," explains Ralph Roesler, '70, vice chair of the Pennsauken High School Veterans Memorial Committee. "The people that



Pennsauken High School Alumni are working with the Township's Board of Education, Pennsauken's municipal government, and the community at large to create a veterans monument on high school grounds. Construction is currently ongoing, but fundraising is still needed for the project.

we're honoring, the names that are going to be on the wall, they paid the ultimate price. They didn't have to do that. We sure do respect and honor them. Those that we're honoring were friends, teammates, classmates. It was for those reasons that we started to reflect and ask, 'How do we pay them back? What do we do?' This monument is the idea that we came up with."

Plans for the veterans monument call for the creation of three sections in a "wing" design. The main monument will be dedicated to the men and women of Pennsauken High School who served their country in the military and will include the emblems of the six service

branches. The first wing will be engraved with the quote from John Maxwell Edmonds, a poet known for the famous epitaph he wrote for the war cemetery commemorating the fallen of the Battle of Kohima in April 1944: "When you go home, tell them of us and say, 'For their tomorrow, we gave our today.'" The other wing will contain the names of any resident of Pennsauken Township who died during any war. The monument will also feature commemorative benches and lighting, as well as pavers that will be used to recognize Pennsauken veterans.

While a dedication of the monument is scheduled for Thursday, Oct. 13 at 8:30 a.m. on the grounds of Pennsauken High School, fundraising is still ongoing to insure the project's completion.

"We've been supported in every sector of the community. For that, we're most grateful," adds Roesler. "It's going to allow us to reach our goals and to bring this monument to Pennsauken High School."

Approximately \$25,000 will need to be raised in order to complete the monument. The group has received generous donations from several alumni, but they are reaching out via a grassroots campaign, with collection jars placed at various locations throughout town. Donations may also be sent to the Alumni Veterans Memorial Fund, c/o Pennsauken Board of Education, 1695 Hylton Rd., Pennsauken N.J. 08110, attention: Noreen Boston.



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Pennsauken Police Hires Mireles As New Officer

By Frank Sinatra, AAP Editor

At the Township Committee meeting on July 20, Pennsauken Mayor John Kneib swore in Timothy Mireles as one of Pennsauken Township's newest police officers.

Mireles, an 11-year resident and member of Pennsauken High School's Class of 2012, has had a desire to become a police officer from a very young age.

"It's always something that I wanted to do since I was a kid. It's something

that's always interested me," says Mireles. "I've always wanted to help people, to try and change the world. Being a law enforcement officer will help do that."

Lt. Scott Gehring of the Pennsauken Police went on to explain that Mireles did very well during the department's extensive interview process. Timothy's work experience as a corrections officer at the Camden County Jail in Camden was also a big plus.

"At the jail, he learned how to deal

with people and defuse situations, which he can carry over to this field, being a police officer on the street," says Gehring. "We're happy to welcome him on board."

Mireles went through agency training at the Pennsauken Police Department before entering the Camden County College Police Academy on Aug. 1 for 22 weeks of basic police officer training. After graduation from the Academy, the new officer goes into the Pennsauken Police Department's Field Training Officer (FTO) program; for another 16 weeks, he'll "ride" with a veteran officer trained to instruct new recruits. When all of Mireles' training is complete, Pennsauken will have 76 officers on the street to maintain the safety of Township residents and businesses.

"I'm ready for the challenge," says Mireles. "I can't wait to start."



Pennsauken Mayor John Kneib (far right) recently swore in Timothy Mireles, seen here with his family and Captain Thomas Connor of the Pennsauken Police Department, as one of Pennsauken Township's newest police officers.

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WAGSWORLD Preparing For The 50 Year Reunion Of The Class Of '66

By Bob Wagner,
AAP Columnist

I am sending in my check today for the Class of '66's 50 year reunion dinner. I have no idea how that many years have simply flown by, but it must be true, as I recognize many of the names of attendees. The nostalgia promises to be overwhelming, as all the grandparents assemble to remember the times when most were skinny.

I don't remember any of the speakers at the graduation assembly, but I do remember riding home on my Yamaha. If I had left it in the garage, it would now be a classic vintage antique, and worth thousands more than its original purchase price. I plan to drive to the Country Club in my fine 1963 VW, which would have been relatively new when I graduated. And I am fully prepared to hear questions like, "What have you done with Bob Wagner!?! Did you EAT him!?!"

I was, you see, quite a bit thinner in 1966. Actually, a whole person thinner. But that ship has sailed. No diets, exercise programs, or tummy tucks will take place before the gathering. Age may not have added wisdom, but it has generated a whole truckload of "I don't care."

I do anticipate a certain amount of angst over what have I managed to accomplish in all that time. I was reading my old yearbook last night. It seems I was supposed to be a pilot. I did make it to flight school right out of PHS, but the powers-that-be correctly figured out my propensity for crashing was way too expensive for the government's war plans. Instead, I was designated an MP, which more or less put me in charge of enforcing rules and keeping the peace. Just goes to show you how much the govern-

ment doesn't know. I did make it back into aviation, and crewed a helicopter machine gun. There were a number of crashes, as I remember, but almost none of them were my fault.

Everything after that sort of sped along. Marriage, kids, jobs, writing, art-work, loans, colleges, more loans, old cars, newer grandkids, and semi-graceful aging. The marriage thing seems to have

worked out, as the bride proofreads this tome, and smiles.

I have outlived a bunch of nice people who once walked the same halls of wisdom up on Hylton Rd. I still have a Yamaha, but haven't ridden it through the halls of a high school in the last 50 years. I can still recognize many of the names in the yearbook, and even remember a few stories about them that

can be told in the presence of grandkids. Just still being here is an accomplishment of sorts, I suppose.

A great friend of mine, who recently passed, was telling his story of attending his big reunion. He said he stood in line, paid his dues, got the obligatory t-shirt, then walked into the hall, beer in hand,

and opened the doors. None of his old friends was there! But all their grandpar-ents were.

I'll look forward to seeing most of those grandparents mid-September, and maybe some of their stories will make it into columns in coming months. Wish me luck.

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PMAC Meeting Focuses On Retirement Planning

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3800 Haddonfield Rd. This month's guest speaker will be Vincent Ragusa, regional sales director for Legg Mason Global Asset Management, who will be speaking about the important criteria that needs to be considered during retirement planning.

Sign in begins at 11:45 a.m.; meeting starts at 12:00 p.m. The cost is \$20 per person. Attendees are asked to RSVP to Nancy Ellis by calling (856) 438-0833 or e-mailing pmac1team@gmail.com by Monday, Sept. 12.

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Pennsauken Holds Special 9/11 Observances For 15th Anniversary Of Terror Attacks

On the 15th anniversary of the terror attacks committed on September 11, 2001, Pennsauken Township will be hosting several events to remember those who lost their lives and reflect on the sacrifices of those who continue to work tirelessly to keep our communities safe.

An annual tradition in Pennsauken is the placement of 2,997 American flags, one for each individual who lost their life during the attacks, throughout the town's 9/11 Memorial, located at the corner of Merchantville Ave. and Rt. 130. This will continue again this year.

Volunteers are needed to help distribute the flags on Saturday, Sept. 10 at 11:59 p.m. and remove them on Friday, Sept. 11 at 11:59 p.m. Those wishing to participate on either day are asked to arrive by 11:45 p.m. at the latest.

In addition, Pennsauken Township and the Pennsauken-Merchantville Area Chamber of Commerce are holding a special ceremony at the 9/11 Memorial on Sunday, Sept. 11, beginning at 12:15 p.m. The ceremony will feature the performance of patriotic songs and a symbolic gesture to remember those who lost



Pennsauken Township will be hosting several events in observance of the 15th anniversary of the terror attacks committed on September 11, 2001, including the nighttime placement of 2,997 American flags at the Township's 9/11 Memorial.

their lives during the attacks 15 years ago.

Pennsauken's 9/11 monument was first dedicated on Sept. 11, 2003, as a tribute to the heroes of 9/11, as well as direct responders such as police, fire and EMS, who serve every day to protect American citizens in the communities where they live. In remembrance of the 10th anniversary of the 9/11 attacks, a steel beam from the World Trade Center North Tower was dedicated as a permanent part of the memorial.

Christmas In July Luau Supports Angel Tree Program



Thank you to all those who attended the Christmas in July fundraiser, graciously hosted by David and Stacey Hernandez and the staff at Inglesby & Sons Funeral Home. Members of the community and local business owners helped to raise over \$1,000 for Pennsauken's Angel Tree Program, which assists families in need during the holidays.



GRAYMATTERS

Appreciating The Special People In Our Lives

By Judith Kristen,
AAP Columnist

Little did I know when I got a nice idea in my head one morning that it would turn into something that would become a tradition. I call it, "Appreciation Day."

Oh, I know there are all kinds of holidays. We all get a birthday whether it's a big deal or not... you know, we were born, so we get our "day." And holidays are really for everyone, but Appreciation Day is extra special.

It's only for that one person, or one special group or family; and it's all because you're grateful they're in your life. You appreciate them, you love them, and you're delighted to share the planet with them.

It doesn't have to be a huge wingding... it can be bringing a box of muffins and donuts to their home or office; it can be a gathering of two or three other folks who feel the same way about them... or two or 300 people who feel the same way and you party 'til the cows come home. Or, it can be just you and that "special" person in your life... or, a nice happy gift basket, or a heartfelt note mailed to the appreciated one's address. The lovely ideas

know no bounds.

My first Appreciation Day celebration was for my husband, Andrew. Then there was an "office visit" with a large box of McMillan's pastry goodies for my primary doctor, Dr. Herman Cohen, and his staff; a pizza and some sodas for the lovely women at Santander Bank, on Westfield Ave.; and the last one was for our dear and delightful pal, Evie Edwards, who had her Appreciation Day just this August.

What initially triggered this idea was a quote sent to me last year from an old friend of mine over in Germany: "Appreciation can make a day, even change a life. Your willingness to put it into words and action is all that is necessary. What's stopping you?"

Those 26 words had a profound effect on me, and I dearly appreciate my friend who made it possible for them to come my way.

And so my dear readers, I also want you to know I appreciate you! I enjoy meeting you in Rite Aid, at McFarlan's; those people who drop me an e-mail or who I meet outside the bank, at the Merchantville Mutt Strut, or just walking down the street. You are totally wonder-

ful souls who always make me smile, tell me a good story or a funny joke, and I absolutely love it. You lift me up in more ways than you can imagine. Thank you from the bottom of my heart, and keep up the good work. This world needs more people just like you! Donuts and muffins for EVERYONE!

Peace and love... and all good things
~Judy

P.S. Don't breathe a word of this... but as you already know, my boss at All Around Pennsauken is the GREAT-EST anyone could ask for... and his wife, Donna, and their children, Adam and Ashley, are such beautiful people, and kind and wonderful souls as well. So maybe a month or two down the line I'll write another column to let you know how "Frank Sinatra and Family Appreciation Day" went. And, remember... not a word.

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By Sonny DiSabato,
Senior Citizen Coordinator

Hello fellow seniors. The annual Senior Citizen Health Awareness Fair will be held on Wednesday, Sept. 28 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Jack Curtis Stadium in Cooper River Park, rain or shine. By showing your Medicare card, Camden County residents can receive a seasonal flu shot for free. In addition, the fair features health information tables, games, and prizes. Health screenings will

be provided for issues such as blood pressure, cholesterol, vision, and diabetes. There will also be information about prescription/insurance programs, medical equipment, financial/consumer information, and social service programs.

Once again, the Camden County Division of Senior Services and the Camden County Nutrition Project will be sponsoring boxed lunches at the health fair, but you must have a ticket in order to receive one. For more information, or to RSVP

for lunch tickets, you can register online by visiting www.camdencounty.com/events/2016-senior-health-fair or calling the Camden County Division of Senior and Disabled Services at (856)-858-3220.

Meditation And Chair Yoga For Seniors

Camden County is sponsoring both meditation and chair yoga classes for seniors this fall. Both classes are free to

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Wednesdays, Sept. 7, as well as Oct. 5 and 19, and Nov. 9 and 23. Again, all classes begin at 1:00 p.m.

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Pennsauken's Cub Scouts Plan Activity-Packed Year

Cub Scout Pack 116 Pennsauken has a lot of activities planned for the 2016-2017 year. On Saturday, Sept. 10, Scouts will be headed to Rowan University's Fossil Park to participate in a dinosaur dig. They will also be participating in the upcoming Pennsauken Car, Bike and Craft Show on Sunday, Sept. 18.

On Friday, Sept. 23 at 7:00 p.m., Cub Scout Pack 116 will hold their annual membership open house carnival at Martin Luther School's gymnasium, located at Rt. 130 and Terrace Ave. in Pennsauken. Families with boys 5 to 10 years of age interested in learning about Cub Scouts are welcome to come and enjoy some old fashioned games, cotton candy, and fun.

The following month, Cub Scout Pack 116 will hold their Welcome Pack meeting on Friday, Oct. 7, 7:00 p.m., at Martin Luther School and then participate in the Pennsauken Harvest Festival on Saturday, Oct. 8. In addition, the Pack heads to Pine Hill Scout Reservation on Saturday Oct. 15, for Cub Fun Day, where Scouts can enjoy a day of crafts, archery, BB shooting, hayrides, and more.

The rest of the year is filled with activities too, including the annual Pinewood

Derby, Blue and Gold Banquet, Earth Day celebration, live action board game cub family camping, and more.

It's never too late to join Scouts. If you son is busy with soccer or another sport in the early fall, they are welcome to come join after the sport is done. Scout-

ing allows a boy to work at his own pace; if he happens to be a little busy at one part of the year, he can make up the work later on. Or if he knows he will be busy, he can get things done ahead of time.

If you are interested in signing up your son for Cub Scouts, the Pack meets

on the first and third Fridays of the month at Martin Luther School at 7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts is for boys in kindergarten to fifth grade. Boy Scout Troop 118, for boys ages 11 -17, meets every Monday night at 7:00 p.m. in the Scout Room at the Grace Episcopal Church

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Pinsetter Bar And Bowl Hosts Eighth Annual Crab-A-Palooza

Pinsetter Bar and Bowl, located at 7111 Maple Ave. in Pennsauken, is hard at work preparing for the "party of all parties," the eighth annual Crab-A-Palooza, held from 2:00 to 10:00 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 10.

Outdoor festivities begin in the Pinsetter parking lot, featuring a live performance from The Sensational Soul Cruisers, an 11-man horn group fronted by four soulful vocalists who pay homage and tribute to classic performers from Otis Redding and the Drifters to Barry White and the Commodores. Later that evening, the party moves inside with a performance from local rock band

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Pinsetter plans to have 60 bushels of Maryland Style Crabs steamed to order, along with favorites straight from the grill, including burgers, hot dogs, and fresh "u-peel" shrimp. Beer and drink specials will also be featured throughout the entire event.

Crab-A-Palooza will be held rain or shine. Plenty of tables and chairs will be set up, but attendees are also welcome to bring their own.

For more information, visit Pinsetter Bar and Bowl on Facebook or at PinsetterBowl.com.



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Pennsauken Vision Survey Results Now Online

How would you rate the quality of life in Pennsauken? Why did you move to town? What is Pennsauken's best kept secret? These were just a handful of the over two dozen questions used in an online survey solely created to poll resi-

dents on their opinions about what's happening in town.

Eighty Pennsauken residents completed the form, sharing their thoughts on everything from municipal services to schools. And the results from this survey

are now online on the Township's web site.

"We thank all of the residents who participated in the survey process," says Pennsauken Mayor John Kneib. "It's important to review all of the feedback we've received, both good and bad, and share it

with the Pennsauken community."

Congratulations to Claire Seindanis, a Pennsauken resident who completed the survey. She was randomly selected out of all qualifying respondents to win the \$25 Wawa gift card.

To view the survey results, visit <http://twp.pennsauken.nj.us/content/pennsauken-vision-survey-results>. For more information about the survey or questions about Pennsauken Vision project, e-mail aap@twp.pennsauken.nj.us.

Historical Society Hold Annual Fall Festival

The Pennsauken Historical Society is hosting its annual fall festival on Saturday, Sept. 17 from 12:00 to 4:00 p.m. at the Historic Burrough-Dover House, 9201 Burrough-Dover Lane. Featuring fall-related activities, as well as free tours of the historic house and the Joseph E. Fitzpatrick Nostalgia Museum. For more information, visit www.facebook.com/PennsaukenHistoricalSociety.

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DEATHNOTICES Jerry Bowne, Sr., Longtime Pennsauken EMS Member

Gerald L. Bowne, Sr., age 81, of Largo, FL, (formerly of Pennsauken, NJ) passed away on Friday, July 29, 2016.

Bowne was the beloved husband of Barbara (nee Lowe); he had one daughter, Bernadette Yanick of Pilesgrove, N.J., and four sons, Gerald L. Bowne Jr. of Cherry Hill, N.J., Terence Bowne of Deptford, N.J., and Timothy and Nathan Bowne of Largo, Fla. He also leaves behind two brothers, Roy of Riverview, Fla. and Walter Bowne of Voorhees, N.J.; six grandchildren, seven great grandchildren, and his former wife, Shirley Witmyer.

Jerry was a long time resident of Pennsauken, a member of the EMS squad, and an instructor for EMTs at Camden County College.

Visitation was held on Aug. 4 at Hinksi-Tomlinson Funeral Home in Haddonfield, followed Mass of Christian Burial at Our

Lady of Perpetual Help Roman Catholic Church in Maple Shade. Internment was held at Colestown Cemetery in Cherry Hill.

In lieu of flowers, contributions in his memory may be made to Suncoast Hospice Foundation, 5771 Roosevelt Blvd. Clearwater Fla., 33760.



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Welcoming Students For Another Year Of Learning At PHS

By Gregory T. Munford, Jr., Principal,
Pennsauken High School

The entire staff of Pennsauken High School is eagerly looking forward to working together to provide our town's children with the finest education. A solid educational foundation is so critical in each child's development. With the goal of developing well-rounded students, we will create a nurturing environment, allowing our students to thrive.

The teachers of Pennsauken High School have committed themselves to delivering a rigorous instructional program. Our students are required to take core academic classes including English, mathematics, social studies, and science.

To help diversify our instructional program, students will also be exposed to physical education, art, vocal music, instrumental music, and health education. We believe our academic program is comparable to that of any school locally. The staff of Pennsauken High School looks forward to seeing our students, Tuesday, Sept. 6.

The Pennsauken team prides itself in meeting the needs of its students with a wide variety of programs offered during and after school. Students will have ample opportunity to be engaged in activities that promote academic and social growth. We encourage parents to come

and meet with teachers and become familiar with their children's schedules on Wednesday, Sept. 21 from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. If parents have any questions, they should not hesitate to contact me at (856) 662-8500. We look forward to working with parents to achieve their child's educational goals.

We are having a special orientation program for all our students on the first day, Tuesday, Sept. 6. In order to accommodate the programs, two separate opening-day schedules are in effect for students.

All students enrolled in grades 10, 11 and 12 are to be at their bus stops by 6:30

a.m. for arrival at the regular scheduled time. The homeroom bell will ring promptly at 7:10 a.m. During the homeroom period, student schedules will be distributed and lockers will be assigned. After an orientation program, all 10th, 11th, and 12th grade students will follow an abbreviated schedule. Dismissal will be 11:30 a.m.

All ninth grade students are to be at their bus stops by 10:45 a.m. for pick-up on Tuesday, Sept. 6. Upon arrival at school, all ninth grade students will be directed to the auditorium to begin their orientation program. After the program in the auditorium, the freshmen students

will report to their homerooms. During the afternoon session, a tour of the building will be provided to help students to become familiar with their new surroundings. Dismissal for the ninth grade students will be at 1:50 p.m.

In order to insure proper security, no student will be admitted into the high school building before 6:55 a.m. This procedure will continue throughout the school year. Please be aware of this policy if you plan to drop your child off at school. The drop-off point for students is located in the front of the school building.

We look forward to seeing all of our students on Sept. 6!

PHS Holds Third Annual "Camp Pennsauken"

Pennsauken High School held its third annual "Camp Pennsauken" freshmen orientation camp on August 8-10. This three-day summer camp allows incoming ninth grade students to become familiar with the high school prior to the first day of school. This year's program was a great success, with over 140 students participating.

Camp Pennsauken is designed to alleviate a lot of stress and fears incoming freshmen may have about coming to high school. It was designed to assist our freshmen students in making the right choices. This year, there were discussions about school procedures, making good decisions, taking a stand against drugs and alcohol, having a positive outlook on life, and setting positive norms.

Incoming freshmen students had the opportunity to meet some of their teachers, administrators, and upperclassmen leaders, as well as learn more about each other. Students also listened to some very important messages from various speakers. Mr. Mike, Ms. Allie and Mr. John from the Steered Straight program explained the importance of making good choices in life. They all gave very compelling testimonies from their personal lives and the negative effects of using drugs and alcohol. They gave out bracelets entitled, "Stay in Your Lane." Students were amazed by their presentations as they asked many questions about



"Camp Pennsauken" is a three-day summer camp that allows incoming freshman an opportunity to become familiar with Pennsauken High School prior to their first day.



The Class of 2020 participated in a variety of activities, including team building relays.



Ms. Ivy Tabb, sports negotiator, professional body builder, and Pennsauken High School alum, gave students a step-by-step guide on how to stay determined and be successful in life.



After his talk on making good decisions, NBA player Jason Thompson from the Toronto Raptors signed memorabilia for students.

their personal and amazing life stories.

In addition, Camp Pennsauken was extremely fortunate to have two other great speakers for our freshmen. Ms. Ivy Tabb, sports negotiator, professional body builder, and Pennsauken High School alum, discussed how she sat in the exact same seat when she was a freshman and gave them a step-by-step guide on how to stay determined and be successful in life. Ms. Ivy told students to reach for the stars and follow their dreams.

The icing on the cake for this year's camp was when Mt. Laurel native and NBA player Jason Thompson from the Toronto Raptors volunteered his time for the second summer in a row to discuss "The Importance of an Education and Making the Right Decisions," start-

ing in ninth grade. The students were all ears when he spoke. Students were amazed to see such a young, dignified, successful figure give such good advice. Pennsauken High School staff presented Jason a plaque for his commitment to community service. Jason Thompson showed Pennsauken that he had a heart of gold. He ate lunch with the students, took plenty of pictures, gave away signed balls, and also signed a few of the students' personal basketballs. Camp Pennsauken was extremely lucky to have such an inspiring young NBA player give back to the community.

This year's camp could not have been better! Freshmen participated in nonstop activities, including professional salsa dancing, team building relays, and Q&A

trivia questions. The freshmen camp promoted plenty of skills for students to become familiar with the high school culture. On top of all the activities, special guest speakers, and introduction to high school life, students were given a free uniform shirt, drug free bracelets; give away prizes and a barbecue lunch for all three days of the program. Camp Pennsauken

was a tremendous success; thanks to our staff, student leaders, special guest speakers and incoming freshmen.

Can you imagine all of this for free? Parents, don't miss out next year! If you have a child about to enter high school during the 2017-2018 school year, sign up at the high school's ninth grade office for Camp Pennsauken.

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For further information about the articles or events published in the Pennsauken School News section of "All Around Pennsauken" please contact:

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Transporting Our Students To And From School



By the Pennsauken Board of Education: Nick Perry, President; Allyson Meloni-Scavuzzo, Vice President; Cheryl Duffy; Michael Hurley; Diane Johnson; Leona Moss; Meg Snyder; Orlando Viera; and JoAnn Young

The purpose of any school district transportation services department is to ensure the safe and efficient transportation of students to and from school and school-related activities. New Jersey law defines the rules governing the transportation of students. The Pennsauken Board of Education has a long tradition of providing transportation services that far exceed what the State requires.

For example, statute requires that all in district students who live more than two miles from their home to school in grades kindergarten through eight will be transported. Pennsauken Schools buses these students at one mile or greater from home to school.

At the high school level, the statute requires all in district students be transported at two and one-half miles or more from their home to school. Pennsauken Schools buses ALL high school students.

Students with disabilities are also provided transportation to school if it is part of their individualized education plan, as defined by law. Also, any hazardous routes for potentially walking children (living under one mile from school) are identified by both the school district transportation officials and the Pennsauken Police Department using guidelines defined in the law. If a hazardous route is identified, the student is transported regardless of

the distance from home to school.

Many middle schools and high schools in our area have discontinued "perimeter" after school busing for students who participate in extra-curricular activities. In Pennsauken, the Board of Education has continued this service for our students and families to encourage participation in school-related activities and to ensure safe travel home for students who stay beyond the school day.

Our Board of Education policies on transportation are clear. They have not been changed, nor has there been any discussion by the Board to change them. The transportation of our students is not only a high safety priority, but it is also a fiscal priority, as the necessary dollars are in our budget to ensure that this transportation plan continues safely and efficiently.

Late last May, it came to the Board's attention that the results of a state audit may force us to change our poli-

cies to reflect the statutory requirements noted earlier in this article. To be clear, the Board was neither aware that this change was pending, nor has an audit report been completed and submitted to the district as of the writing of this article. Therefore, we are not changing any transportation policy or procedure until or unless we are directed to do so.

For more information on our transportation services, please visit www.pennsauken.net and find "Transportation" under the Departments tab.

The Board of Education wishes all students and families a smooth transition to a successful school year.

Board Bit Of The Month

The Pennsauken Public School District transports over 5,000 students to and from school every day in a four-tiered bus system.

Carson Students Grow At Community Garden



Throughout the summer, the Carson Gifted and Talented program participated in Pennsauken Township's Community Garden, located behind the Pennsauken Free Public Library. Students prepared and planted their garden plot at the end of the school year and were able to see the fruits of their labor in the summer. Thank you to Mrs. Tryon and Mrs. Savino for organizing this project!

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FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

Pennsauken's Excited As Schools Open



Dr. Ronnie Tarchichi,
Superintendent of Schools,
Pennsauken School District

The first day of school is around the corner, and we have a lot to celebrate and look forward to for the 2016-17 school year. On Sept. 6, students will be welcomed back to our schools, have new classrooms and new outstanding teachers, and will start making new friends.

Our students will embark on learning new material, developing skills, and mastering challenges. The preparation for their success comes from our hard-working teachers and administrators, as well as parent initiatives and other key stakeholders. This year, Pennsauken Public Schools begin new initiatives and programs that will help our students become productive students and citizens.

High School

We, as a school district and commu-

nity, will begin the process of creating partnerships with local colleges and universities in articulation agreements, in order to provide our children with the ability to earn college credit for courses they will be taking at the high school level. Students will take the Accuplacer exam in the 10th grade, which will allow them to earn post secondary credit for courses they take in high school. Students will not only finish high school with a diploma, but if they work to their potential, they could earn up to an associate's degree before they graduate. This initiative will be accomplished in one of our future high school academies. A career academy is a reform model at the secondary level, where students enroll by choice. They are organized as schools within a school, with a small community of learners whose primary intent is to integrate a college or workforce preparatory program around a career theme. Our teachers and administrators will work together to coordinate an interdisciplinary style approach to learning with

rigorous real world or post secondary application in a block scheduling format.

Pennsauken Public Schools is proud to offer the following upcoming academies:

- Health Science
- Engineering
- Business and Finance
- Police
- Education
- Performing Arts
- Career and Technical Education

In addition to the college credit initiative, we will begin the process of offering classes in career and technical education (CTE). CTE programs for the 2016-17 year will include carpentry, culinary arts, child care, and automotive. We will also begin construction this year with the hopes of offering cosmetology/barbering for the 2017-18 school year.

Middle And Intermediate Schools

Students at our middle school and intermediate school will be offered more

mathematics options as they will begin pre-algebra courses in the sixth Grade. Students will be offered additional academic growth time during the day to better assist them with the academic background necessary to prepare them for a more focused curriculum and sequence of courses. Career orientation will be offered to students beginning in sixth grade, to prepare students for the academies and collegiate style learning offered in the high school. Finally, the Pennsauken School District is very proud to welcome our new Intermediate School principal, Mr. Bunkowski.

Elementary Schools

We have a breath of new teachers beginning this semester at our elementary schools. The addition of more specials, including language, art, music, technology, and physical education, will offer students a more well-rounded curriculum in their elementary years. We have offered more academic curricula, including but not limited to new science curricula

for our entire elementary population that mirrors the science curricula of the intermediate and middle schools. Our focus is to help each elementary student be successful in all subject areas. In order for that to happen, all stakeholders need to be on the same team, including administrators, teachers, parents, and students. The key is to have parents be partners in education with the teachers and the school. Teachers need parents to support learning through a regular review of assigned work, due dates, graded work, and grades. We ask that each family stay on top of their child's progress and give appropriate reminders about homework and study. Our elementary schools are at the forefront of knowledge, because they are where we lay the foundation for secondary education and professional careers.

Let's all help our children grow as scholars through laying the proper foundation both in the school and home environments.

September School Calendar

Sept. 6	First Day of School, K-12 (Full Day)
Sept. 7	Back-to-School Night, Franklin Elementary, 7:00 p.m.
Sept. 8	Back-to-School Night, Baldwin Elementary, 7:00 p.m.
Sept. 12	Back-to-School Night, Roosevelt Elementary, 7:00 p.m.
Sept. 14	Back-to-School Night, Carson Elementary, 7:00 p.m.
Sept. 15	Back-to-School Night, Middle School, 7:00 p.m.
Sept. 19	Back-to-School Night, Intermediate School, 7:00 p.m.
Sept. 20	Back-to-School Night, Fine Elementary, 7:00 p.m.
Sept. 21	Back-to-School Night, Pennsauken High School, 6:30 p.m.
Sept. 22	BOE Conference Meeting, 1695 Hylton Rd., 7:00 p.m.
Sept. 26	Back-to-School Night, Burling Elementary, 7:00 p.m.
Sept. 27	Back-to-School Night, Delair Elementary, 7:00 p.m.
Sept. 28	Back-to-School Night, Longfellow Elementary, 7:00 p.m.
Sept. 29	BOE Business Meeting, 800 Hylton Rd., Room 327, 7:00 p.m.

Back To School Advice For Families Of Elementary Students

Making sure that your child attends school every day on time will ensure that your child won't miss out on learning. Try to schedule appointments and family trips outside of school hours. We want to see your child's beautiful face each and every day in school!

Research shows that supporting your child's education at home is important.

Having conversations with your child about their school day is one way that you can stay connected to what is happening in school. Here are some conversation starters, from Home and School Connection, that you may find helpful:

"Show me what you brought home in your backpack."

"Let me see what you have for home-

work."

"What is a fun fact you learned today?"

"Pretend you are the teacher, how would you describe your day?"

"How were you kind to someone in school today? How was someone kind to you today?"



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Intermediate School Holds STEM Camp

By Angel-Marie Cook,
District Science Supervisor

Pennsauken Intermediate School hosted its third annual summer STEM Camp from July 11-22. With an aeronautical focus, students investigated flight through the lens of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM). Each day, students participated in inquiry driven classes based upon NASA's Sum-

mer of Innovation curriculum. Using concepts of physics and mathematics, students explored the forces of flight, Newton's laws, the dynamics of aviation, and the power of engineering design. Led by four of Pennsauken's finest science teachers: Trevor Miller, Pennsauken High School; Amy Fisher, Phifer Middle School; and Kathleen Blair and Jennifer



Students prepare to launch rockets of their own design as part of Pennsauken Intermediate School's third annual summer STEM Camp.

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Miller, Pennsauken Intermediate School, students cycled daily through four, 40-minute, inquiry driven, hands-on classes. Students anchored learning to Next Generation Science concepts and practices, while building understandings and bridging applications. Students demonstrated their knowledge on the last day of camp to a packed house of parents, siblings, and friends in a "STEM Showcase." Technology-based presentations, as well as field testing of student designed kites, rockets, and flying shoeboxes, exemplified learning outcomes and the knowledge mastery of the young budding scientists.

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A Special Postage Stamp For Labor Day, 1956



By Robert Fisher-Hughes, AAP Columnist and Amateur Historian

Since the invention of the first postage stamps in the United Kingdom in the 1840s, an innovation adopted by the United States since 1847, a veritable gallery of art and history in the form of a practically useful commodity has been available to the public for a few pennies. Nevertheless, only the true enthusiasts, collectors, and scholars of philately, the study of postage stamps, fully ap-

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preciate the beauty and value of these tiny scraps of paper.

An example of the art and history embodied in a postage stamp happens to link to an icon of our local history: the three-cent, Labor Day issue of 1956.

When the U.S. Postal Service announced near the end of 1955 that it would issue a stamp honoring Labor Day

in the following year, among the first to take note was Morris C. Rothblum, stamp editor for the Courier-Post and a member of the Camden Typographical Union.

As both a newspaperman and a union member, Rothblum undoubtedly remembered the ceremonies conducted just three years earlier, when a new monument was dedicated to the "father" of Labor Day, Peter J. McGuire, at his burial site, Arlington Cemetery in Pennsauken. Labor and political leaders had gathered for the ceremonies, extensively covered in the press, to honor the labor leader who was also the founder of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners and a co-founder of the American Federation of Labor.

Peter J. McGuire had lived out the latter part of his life in Camden, while the offices of the U.B.C. & J. were located in Philadelphia. Why not have the new postage stamp issued to honor both Labor Day and its father make its debut from the Camden post office?

Rothblum went to work and very soon, the Typographical Union issued a resolution calling for the first day of sale to be held in Camden. Shortly, similar calls were made by the printers and the Central Labor Union of Camden and the Courier-Post.

A month before the issue of the stamp on Labor Day, Congressman Charles A. Wolverton and Senators H. Alexander Smith and Clifford P. Case of New Jersey announced the success of the campaign. Camden would have just its second first day of sale designation for the issuance of the new stamp. Previously, a stamp honoring Walt Whitman had also had its first

day of sale in Camden, 16 years before.

This announcement resulted in a torrent of orders for first-day covers of the new stamps and a number of special initiatives to commemorate the occasion. The official, first public sales of the stamp in Camden would be made to Lillian McGuire and Kathryn Caya, the daughters of P.J. McGuire, at 7:00 a.m. on Labor Day, Monday, September 3, 1956. The Central Labor Union of Camden pre-ordered 3,100 first-day issue stamps to be placed on a brief account of the life and work of Peter J. McGuire titled "The Life Story of a Forgotten Giant—P.J. McGuire, Father of Labor Day." This stamped pamphlet would be mailed to union members around the country, enclosed in an envelope with a cachet depicting the McGuire Memorial in Arlington Cemetery.

Other labor leaders and public figures sent in private orders for first-day covers of the Labor Day stamp, illustrating the esteem in which unions were held in that era, as well as the popularity of the hobby of stamp collecting. Among those ordering the stamps were labor leaders like George Meany, Walter Reuther, and John L. Lewis; the presidents of the United Steel Workers and the American Federation of Musicians; the Secretary of Labor; and from overseas, the General Secretary of the Kenya Federation of Labor. Business leaders, too, ordered the first-day covers honoring their workers, including leaders in the coal and steel industries, the general manager of the New York Yankees, and the president of the Beechnut and Lifesavers Company.

Among the public figures pre-order-



A special postage stamp honoring Labor Day and the efforts of labor icon Peter J. McGuire, was issued in 1956. McGuire, the "father" of Labor Day, is buried at Arlington Cemetery in Pennsauken.

ing the stamps were the governors of nine states; Democratic candidates for President and Vice President Adlai Stevenson and Estes Kefauver; former Republican Presidential candidate Thomas E. Dewey, the chairman of the Republican Party; former Vice President John Nance Garner; father and grandfather of presidents Senator Prescott Bush; Eleanor Roosevelt; Bernard Baruch; bandleader Vincent Lopez; and pioneer woman aviator Jacqueline Cochran.

Perhaps the most unusual orders came for four stamps to be sent to J. Fred Muggs, the celebrated television chimpanzee and also his friend, Dave Garraway.

The stamp itself was designed by Victor

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The MPWC: Committed To Safety In The Workplace

By Angela Waldron, Administrative Services Supervisor

Just as the Merchantville-Pennsauken Water Commission has been committed to providing safe drinking water for its customers for the past ninety years, the MPWC is also committed to safety within our workplace.

The MPWC has a pro-active

safety committee that conducts meetings each month. These meetings serve as an open forum for staff across multiple departments to bring forward safety-related issues and share their experience and knowledge regarding safety concerns. They also investigate any incidents, accidents, or injuries that occur within the workplace.

The safety committee serves as a partnership between supervisors and employees, reflecting back upon the training that has taken place throughout the year and proactively challenging it to be improved upon and made more relevant to our staff. The MPWC holds on-site training sessions throughout the year that serves to refresh on-

going training, as well as to institute any new standards mandated by OSHA. Training opportunities are also routinely opened up to other local municipalities, so they may also benefit from the instruction.

The MPWC's commitment to safety is also reflected in our lack of loss-time incidents, dating back to 2011. The MPWC is part of a joint

insurance fund and has been recognized state wide on multiple occasions for the culture of safety we have developed throughout all levels of the organization. The MPWC takes great pride in the role safety plays as a part of our organization, and look forward to continuing to foster these principles in the future.

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Third Annual Pennsauken Job Fair Scheduled For September 15

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sition. Thanks to initiatives like NJ Grow, we have quite a few businesses moving into town from out of state that will need to hire locally."

At last year's event, over 900 job seekers met with over 20 businesses and organizations looking for hires; several individuals were hired on the spot and 100 percent of companies that responded to the post-event survey indicated that they found candidates that could fill immediate positions.

"We've had a lot of businesses that look forward to coming back to Pennsauken's job fair each year due to the amount of qualified candidates the event attracts," says Larry Cardwell, Pennsauken Township Department of Economic Development. "Our job fair really benefits both local employers and job seekers."

To date, there are already over a dozen businesses slated to attend the job fair, including Accu Staffing, Alberts Transportation, Barry Callebaut, Center for Family Services, Heritage Business Systems, J & J Snacks Foods, J & J Staffing, LiDestri, Pepsi, Restaurant Depot, Safety Bus, Simmons Food, and Source 4 Teachers. In addition, representatives from Senator Corey Booker's office will be on hand to help connect job seekers with constituent services.

Individuals unable to attend the event, or those looking to connect with potential employers in advance, can upload their resumé at www.twp.pennsauken.nj.us/content/pennsauken-job-fair-2016.

Food Truck Event Returns September 15

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vary; and generally, food trucks are cash only for purchases.

Once again, players of Pokémon Go have an additional reason to attend Bite Night. Lures will be dropped at both of the Municipal Complex's "Pokestops" to lure Pokémon to the area during the entirety of both events.

"We invite our residents, as well as members from our neighboring communities, to join us for Bite Night," adds Kneib. "You won't want to miss it."

For an up-to-date list of attending food trucks and additional information, visit the Township's web site at www.twp.pennsauken.nj.us.

Food trucks interested in participating in Bite Night can still contact Adrian Casey at (856) 665-1000 x161 to register.

Pennsauken's Economic Development department will share resumé with all the companies who participate in this year's job fair and will keep these electronic resumé on file for companies looking to hire employees in the future.

In addition, there will be a free pre-event job fair workshop held on Thursday, Sept. 8 at Living Faith Christian Center. Beginning at 6:00 p.m., job seekers will learn important tips about attending the event, including how to dress to impress and important questions to ask potential employers. Additional details on this event will be posted at www.twp.pennsauken.nj.us/content/pennsauken-job-fair-2016 as they become available.

Helpful Job Fair Hints

For those headed to the job fair, here are some helpful tips to prepare for the event:

- Dress to impress. First impressions are extremely important. You know what

they say, "Dress for the job you want, not the job you have." Regardless of the type of employment you're looking for, business attire helps make a statement about you and your work ethic. It doesn't have to be a full suit; a shirt and tie, or a skirt and blouse can work just fine.

- Bring at least two dozen copies of your resumé. Well over a dozen companies and staffing agencies are anticipated to be in attendance. You'll also want to bring a pen and a small notebook to jot down important information about the companies you talk to. Being prepared and taking notes will help you keep things straight during a busy job fair.
- Have your elevator pitch ready. Be able to quickly tell potential employers what makes you special and why you'd be an asset to their company. Also, be sure to look up the companies in advance of the job fair so you can impress with knowledge about their business;

it'll also help you ask relevant questions about available positions.

For more information about the Sept. 15 job fair,

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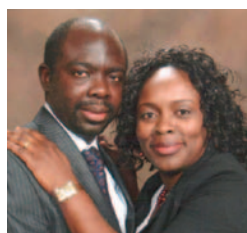
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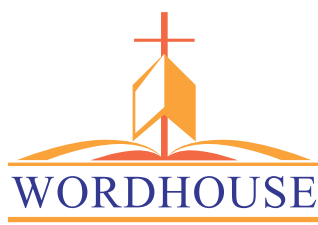
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GOING GREEN Making Your Garden Less Appealing to Marauding Deer

By Kathleen Harvey,
AAP Columnist

With fall approaching, this year's garden season is winding down. Time to inspect the beds, see what thrived, what died, and oh no, what got eaten!?! There is a rather large assortment of wildlife that stops by my garden for a visit, sometimes daily. Squirrels, chipmunks, rabbits, groundhogs, opossums, caterpillars, butterflies, and too many feathered friends to count all frequent my garden. The last couple of years, a cadre of wild turkeys has joined the group.

Now I admit that I grow many plants to attract pollinators, including bees, caterpillars, and butterflies. But sometimes I feel like I am growing an all you can eat buffet for the local critters. I don't mind sharing; in fact, extra tomato plants are put in each year in anticipation of losing many. But I must admit, it gets a bit frustrating when the garden gets destroyed regularly, and the vast majority of certain plants are chewed down to stumps, leaving me with nothing. There comes a point where loss percentages become too high. Perhaps it's time to in-

stitute what retail store managers refer to as a "loss prevention program."

The first step is to determine who is doing the most damage. Depending on where each of us lives, the habitat we cultivate will determine the variety of furred, winged and feathered creatures that will see our gardens as part of their territory. Thankfully, there haven't been any bears, mountain lions, or wolves to worry about. But we do get deer. And hungry deer will eat almost anything if hungry enough. Hmm, perhaps I should be encouraging those predators to keep the marauding munchers in check! Since that isn't a realistic option, the alternative is to determine what plants are deer candy. Deer love narrow-leaf evergreens, especially arborvitae and fir, and show a preference for hostas, daylilies, and English ivy; they can have the ivy.

The first rule in deer proofing is that there really are no "deer-proof" plants. However, there are plants that deer find distasteful. Designing a beautiful landscape filled with breathtaking blooms and distinctive foliage that discourages destructive deer takes planning. Select

deer-resistant plants that are unappetizing to those curious critters, allowing you to create eye-catching displays throughout your garden and on your porches and patios, knowing the leaves and flowers will be able to reach their full stunning potential! Daffodils, foxgloves, and poppies are common flowers that are toxic to deer. Deer also turn their noses up at

fragrant plants with strong scents. Herbs such as sage, salvia, lavender, peonies, and bearded irises are malodorous to deer. In addition, thorny plants such as hardy prickly pear and fuzzy plants like lamb's ear are not on their preferred menu. One of my personal favorites, Dicentra spectabilis, commonly known as bleeding heart, will send deer elsewhere looking

for something tastier.

The heaviest browsing typically occurs from October through February, when food is less abundant; but deer will nibble all summer long if your garden is convenient. Try some of these plants to keep the hungry herds away from your garden. Now, if I could only stop the squirrels, chipmunks and rabbits...

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By Arlene Miller, Friends of the Pennsauken Free Public Library

There always seems to be so much to do as summer turns to fall, and the Friends of the Pennsauken Free Public Library are no exception. There's a lot of programming planned for the coming weeks!

Eye Screenings

Licensed opticians from America's Best Contacts and Glasses come out Wednesday, Sept. 21 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. with free vision screenings at the Pennsauken Free Public Library, hosted by the Friends and available to all area residents with no appointment necessary. Bring along your glasses with missing nose pieces, loose frames or wobbly "whatevers" and get instant repairs done on the spot as well. There's also one more opportunity to win a free vision exam coupon worth \$45. Check at the

reference desk for details.

Friends Fall Events

Labor Day brings the last big summer bash and plans for the kids' return to school. Just in time for all those lunches you'll soon be packing again, the Friends will be holding a bagged cookie sale on Saturday, Sept. 10 from 10:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. At the same time, we'll be kicking off our fall book collection for the upcoming annual Friends' Book, Tech and Bake Sale, so bring the books or DVDs you no longer want (please, though, no magazines, damaged books, encyclopedias, or VHS tapes), drop them off in the Community Room, then stock up on cookies before they're all gone. And if you belong to the Friends, show your membership card to get yourself a free bag of cookies. Sweet.

The actual Book, Tech and Bake Sale

takes place this year from Oct. 14-16, with a member preview on the 13th; so if you didn't get the chance to bring all the books, etc. you eventually want to donate, there's still plenty of time.

Next up is the Friends' annual raffle. This year's prizes will be baskets filled with gift cards, generously donated by local restaurants and merchants, along with other goodies worth more than \$300 each. Tickets will be on sale at the Pennsauken Harvest Festival on Saturday, Oct. 8; but you can buy your tickets sooner at the Library's circulation desk, beginning Monday, Sept. 19. The drawing will be the Wednesday before Thanksgiving in the Library lobby.

And finally, now that the kids are back in school and you have time to yourself, we're starting up our monthly "Munch and a Movie" events again on Tuesday, Sept. 13 from 12:30 to 3:00 p.m. in the Li-

brary's Community Room. Bring your lunch; as always, we'll supply a snack, tea, coffee and water.

Whew! That's a lot to think about for now, so we'll hold the rest for next

month. In the meantime, maybe you'll plan to join us at our next Friends' meeting on Wednesday, Sept. 14 at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Room. See you then!

Griffith Morgan House Hosts Presentation On Colonial Lighting

As the summer season of long days draws toward a close, the dark nights slowly grow longer. Our colonial ancestors had no LEDs, no light bulbs, no street lamps illuminated by Ben Franklin's electricity to light their way. So how did people of that age see when the sun went down? On Sunday, Sept. 4, from 12:00 to 4:00 p.m., Griffith Morgan House and docent Lu Anne Hill will cast a light on the wide variety of lighting devices and fuels that brightened the darkness and allowed life and work to continue. Lighting a candle was far from the only alternative to darkness!

This will be the start of a busy season of history at Griffith Morgan House, with many more events throughout the fall. Find out more when you visit and also stop in at Burrough-Dover House,

located right off of Haddonfield Rd. on Burrough-Dover Lane, which will also be open for this "First Sunday" from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.!

Admission is free, but donations are always appreciated to support the historical programs and help preserve the old house and its mission; memberships are available as well! Free tours of Griffith Morgan House and its museum and access to the library will be available to all visitors. Plenty of free parking is available.

Griffith Morgan House is located on Griffith Morgan Lane off River Rd. between Delair and Route 73. Visit the Griffith Morgan House page on Facebook for more details or directions or call (856) 486-9561 and leave a message for more information. Griffith Morgan House is also open for tours by appointment.

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PUBLICWORKS Trash Collection: A Dirty Job To Maintain A Clean Pennsauken

By Joe Scavuzzo, Director,
Department of Public Works

One of the less glamorous responsibilities of your Department of Public Works is the oversight of the Township's waste collection contract. We all have experienced a missed collection or the leaving-behind of that one item. I use the term "we" because, like many of you, my crew and I have returned home from work to find trash still at the curb. There are a variety of reasons why this can occur; the most frequent being the improper placement of items at the curb. The second largest reason of a missed pickup is fairly simple: human error. Out of the 10,000+ residences and small businesses that fall within the Township's contract, we typically see less than 200 missed-trash phone calls per week as a result from this. Each and every phone call that we receive is investigated by our sanitation inspector. His findings and correction recommendations are coordinated with our clerk and then the resolution is passed on to the resident.

I mentioned two numbers above: the amount of residents serviced each and every week and the number of trash-related complaints. The percentage of legitimate missed collections, where the resident properly placed trash/recycling/yard debris out and Waste Management dropped the ball, is somewhere in the .04 to 1.8 percent range. With a new Microsoft Excel spreadsheet setup, our clerk documents each address' phone call and we have begun to track any patterns, so that if an aspect of our operation is overlooked, we can put controls in place to correct them. Between the Department of Public Works' management, the sanitation inspector, and clerk, we communicate our residents' issues hourly to Waste Management.

The other end of this spectrum is when a resident improperly places trash at the curb. On any given week, you may see the effects of a "move out." This is when a tenant moves out of a rental property or apartment and leaves any unwanted items at the curb for trash. More frequently, Waste Management reports locations that are "over the limit." In this instance, the Department of Public Works drops off one of our helpful trash informational packets, typically with the section of the particular issue highlighted in yellow. These packets are ready for pickup at the Public Works facility located at 6725 Wayne Ave. They spell out disposal methods for pretty much every household item that a homeowner may wish to discard.

Since all Department of Public Works personnel are proud residents of Pennsauken, we share in your frustrations when the fault rests with Waste Management. However, I can report that your concerns are handled professionally by Waste Management staff for the proper resolution. Knowing well that we communicate the frustration of our residents to them, I feel it is prudent that we acknowledge an exceptional job well-done. On July 18, 2016, for the first time in at least two years, Waste Management had a 100 percent collection rate. This led to zero phone calls report-

ing missed trash. I'm aware of the many obstacles that prevent this from occurring daily. Manpower shortages, equipment issues and human-error are all factors that contribute and are practically unavoidable. The key to navigating these issues is Waste Management's timely communication to our office so that we can keep our residents and business owners informed with the alternate collection plan.

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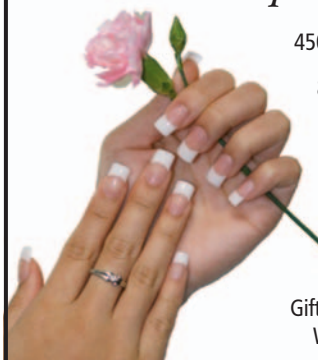
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Camden County is holding a household hazardous waste collection event on Saturday, Sept. 17, 8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., at the Pennsauken Sanitary Landfill, 9600 N. River Rd. For a list of what to bring and what not to bring, visit www.camdencounty.com/sites/default/files/files/What%20To%20Bring.pdf.

The County is also holding an electronic recycling collection event on Saturday, Oct. 1, 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., at the Camden County Public Works Complex, 2311 Egg Harbor Road, Lindenwold. For new guidelines on what will be accepted during this collection event, visit www.camdencounty.com/parks/recycling-info/electronic-recycling-collection-events.



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Pennsauken's Living Faith Christian Center invited residents to leave their money at home during their annual, "What's Mine Is Yours: Caring Is Sharing," themed event, where everything is free. Photo credit: Ryan Wachter.



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Pennsauken Celebrates Fall With Car And Bike Show, Harvest Festival

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Bike and Craft Show features music, food, and family-friendly entertainment.

"This is a great event that people look forward to every year," says Elwood "Duke" Martz, head of Pennsauken's Parks and Recreation Department. "We're once again hoping for some great fall weather, so that thousands of people can enjoy the many cars and bikes that come to our show each year."

Year after year, local businesses continue to help make the Pennsauken Car, Bike and Craft Show possible with financial support. The event's major sponsors are All Around Pennsauken; Arnold's Safe and Lock Company; Beacon Auto and Truck Collision Center; ColorSource; Dunkin' Donuts; Elite Auto Service; ELMCO TWO Inc.; Gaskill Brown Funeral Home; Independent Alarm; Just Plain Silly Entertainment; Marinelli & Associates; McAllister the Service Company; McFarlan's Market; Mesa Signs; Penn Muffler and Brake; Pinsetter Bar and Bowl; Precision Transmissions; Primerica, Ellis and Associates; Rhoads Metal Works; Route 130 Car Wash; Stevens Management Associates; The Quiz Kids; Third Base Sports and Trophies; Tony's Auto Service; Tony's Golden Scissors; and U.S. Auto Auction.

There will be 22 judging classes for

cars, from Stock Production to 1953 to All New Cars, 2011 to Present, as well as nine judging classes for motorcycles, from Full Dresser to Antique Bikes.

As attendees enjoy viewing the many cars and bikes on display, they can also enjoy a parking lot full of activity. Pinsetter Bar and Bowl will have set up a barbecue tent with tables and chairs for people to sit, eat, and relax. There will also be some family-friendly entertainment, including bounce houses, balloon twisting, face painting, and disk jockeys spinning both classic and the latest hits.

Each year, every effort is made to reduce the impact on the neighborhoods along Maple Ave. and adjoining streets. Local residents will have access to major thoroughways and can get in and out of the area during the event. In case of inclement weather, the rain date for the Car, Bike and Craft Show is Sunday, Sept. 25.

Registrations for cars and bikes are being accepted at the Parks and Recreation Department of Pennsauken Township, 6505 North Crescent Blvd., Pennsauken; the forms can also be found online at the Township's web site, twp.pennsauken.nj.us.

Celebrating Pennsauken's Rich Culture

The Pennsauken Township Public

Events Committee, in association with the Pennsauken Township Fire Department and the Pennsauken-Merchantville Area Chamber of Commerce, will host the third annual Pennsauken Harvest Festival, a celebration of heritage, arts and community. The free event, held on Saturday, Oct. 8 from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Pennsauken Community Recreation Complex on Westfield Ave., will highlight Pennsauken's diverse cultural identity with a celebration of arts and community.

"Last year, we welcomed 3,000 people to Pennsauken's Harvest Festival; we look forward to having even more guests join us on Oct. 8," says Captain Dan Kerr, fire marshal of the Pennsauken-Collingswood Fire Prevention and Inspection Bureau and chairperson of this year's event.

"The Harvest Festival is not only a great showcase and celebration of Pennsauken's cultural diversity, but it also helps to create more awareness of the importance of fire safety and the role the fire department plays in our community."

The Harvest Festival will have music and dance acts throughout the day, mixing in a variety of demonstrations by the Pennsauken Fire Department, held in conjunction with Fire Prevention Month.

"We're excited to have the mobile New Jersey Hall of Fame this year," says Betsy



The Pennsauken Fire Department will be holding a variety of demonstrations during the third annual Pennsauken Harvest Festival.

McBride, Pennsauken Township committeeewoman and honorary chair. "Step inside the trailer and get inspired by some of the people who have made New Jersey great."

Rows of vendors and crafters will line the parking lot of the Recreational Complex and festival goers can enjoy food from many food trucks. There will also be plenty of free activities for the kids, including scarecrow making, pumpkin painting, sack races, soccer shootouts, inflatable bouncers, balloon twisting, and face painting. And for the brave of heart,

there will even be a mechanical bull. Plenty of regular and handicapped parking will be available for attendees and traffic assistance will be provided by Pennsauken Police.

"There will be so much to do and see and taste at the Harvest Festival," adds McBride. "It's going to be a great event for the entire family and you don't want to miss it."

The rain date for the Harvest Festival is Sunday, Oct. 9. For more information, visit the event's page on Facebook.

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FOODADVENTURES



By Rachael Rivera,
AAP Columnist

This month's adventuring led me to Rita Marie's Eatery and Pizzeria at 134 East Park Ave. in Merchantville. This corner foodie hotspot is clean and the staff there is fantastic. I walked in on the day I was to interview them; there were customers at their tables eating and watching the big flat screen in their dining area, some were in line paying for their food, while others perused the menu and boards for their next tasty selection.

What first stood out to me was the American flag hanging under the display area. It looks like it is straight

Rita Marie's Eatery And Pizzeria

out of the Revolutionary War. There is other awesome memorabilia to be seen around the dining area and it's all worth taking a look at. You can also take a look up at the board each week to see their featured sandwiches, some of which are named after local police officers in Merchantville and Pennsauken.

I sat down with both Dina Faiola, owner of the restaurant, and David Smith, floor manager, to learn a little more about this proudly-patriotic, family-friendly dining spot that opened in April 2015. These folks have passion for their food. And it's a family affair. Dina's son, Tyler, works alongside his mother, helping with everything from taking or-

ders to making deliveries, as well as providing general customer service. Dina herself is a culinary school graduate from the esteemed Restaurant School at Walnut Hill College. This professional touch is found in every aspect of the food. They strive to make people feel at home with their dishes. The standards that they follow aim at rising them above a chain restaurant's guidelines. Nothing is ever frozen or out of a package.

Every ingredient that Dina uses in all of the dishes is locally sourced and bought fresh every morning. Each sauce and dressing is homemade. A little tip for all of my readers, you MUST try both the garlic mayo and this spicy mayo that David likes to put on his cheesesteak pizza. Yes, you heard right, cheesesteak pizza. Now when I say this, I want you to imagine a perfectly soft-yet-crusty pizza crust topped with a healthy amount of chopped steak and a generous covering of cheese. I got creative with my slice and put garlic mayo on one side and spicy

mayo on the other side. Then, I threw caution to the wind and just folded the slice in half. Amazing! Another notable dish to try when you visit is the chicken parmesan platter. The chicken is pounded, marinated for 24 hours and then fully prepared before serving. It's a process with lots of love put into it, just like all of the other dishes. For the vegetarians and veggie lovers out there, they offer veggie pizza, an amazing kale and mixed greens salad, and their new veggie sandwich. I even met a local patron named Jim who said, "The food is really good and it's got reasonable prices. I've never had a bad thing there. It's clean and the people are nice."

At Rita Marie's, they want families to come in and enjoy a movie and a pizza and they want couples to come in for a date night. They also want to expand and bring the quality food they offer to other areas in South Jersey with a hint of fine dining. There will be a new menu coming out for the fall and catering is



David, Tyler, Dina, and the staff at Rita Marie's Eatery and Pizzeria offer great menu items made with extremely fresh ingredients and served in a family-friendly atmosphere.

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Rita Marie's Eatery and Pizzeria is open Sunday through Thursday from 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. and Friday and Saturday from 11:00 a.m. to Midnight. Contact them via phone at (856) 662-2252, fax at (856) 662-2292, e-mail at eat@ritamaries.com, or visit their website, RitaMariesEatery.com.

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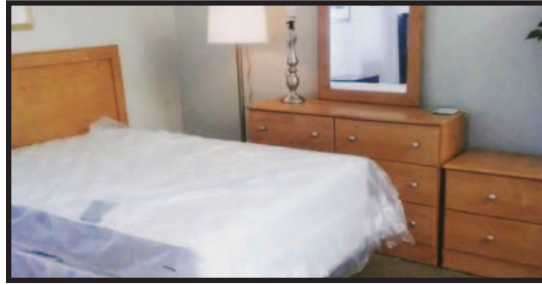
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Woman's Club Sponsors Attendees At Girl's Career Institute

As it does every year, the Woman's Club of Merchantville sponsored several young women to attend the 2016 Girl's Career Institute (GCI), a program offered by the New Jersey State Federation of Women's Clubs for girls who will complete their junior year of high school. Delegates are selected on the basis of interest, community service and participation in school activities. Four local girls from our area joined

over 170 young women from all over the state to experience a unique mini-college experience. The girls experienced a sample of college life by living in a dorm, eating in the cafeteria and attending lectures and workshops. They also learned about career choices and how to network with other delegates from all over the state of New Jersey. During free time, there were organized activities, such as swimming, crafts and

after dinner programs.

Yormelis Vazquez, a senior at Urban Promise, will speak about her experiences at GCI during the Evening Membership of the Woman's Club of Merchantville's monthly meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 13 at 6:30 p.m. Veronica Ulatowski and Layne Raroha, seniors at Highlands Regional High School, as well as Tasha Nickollof, a senior at Camden Catholic High School, will talk about

their GCI experience at the Woman's Club of Merchantville's meeting on Wednesday, Sept. 21 at 12:00 p.m. Both meetings are held at the Merchantville Community Center, located at 212 Somerset Ave.

The Merchantville Woman's Clubs have been some of the leading service organizations in the region. Women from our community are members committed to making a difference. Among

other things, the Club raises money for local and state charities, as well as scholarships; also, members volunteer at organizations such as the Food Bank of South Jersey and Cathedral Kitchen. Social activities include monthly card and game parties.

If you would like to attend a meeting, or for more information, contact Jan at (609) 410-4650 or janwh@aol.com.

Fire Department Helps To Build Stronger Community During National Night Out

By Alan Gibson, AAP Correspondent

Pennsauken's Fire Department opened their doors to the public on Aug. 2 to celebrate National Night Out. Firefighters demonstrated the equipment they use every day to keep Pennsauken's residents safe. Younger township residents even got hands-on experience with the equipment, trying on gear, operating hoses, and watching rescue equipment in action. There was also plenty of ice cream and soft pretzels for everyone.

The first National Night Out was held in 1984, in an effort to promote a partnership between law enforcement and the community, building trust, and increasing public safety. The event has since grown into a larger community-building initiative.



Young "firefighters in training" got some hands-on experience with a fire hose during Pennsauken's observance of National Night Out, an annual community-building campaign that is designed to make neighborhoods a safer, better place to live.

The theme of the night was fire safety. According to Battalion Chief Michael

DiSanti, the best thing to do in a fire is to "Get low and get out!" He, as well as other firefighters on hand, stressed the importance of having and practicing an escape plan, having working smoke and carbon monoxide detectors, and even a fire extinguisher in your home. You don't need to wait for the fire engine, you can take steps to lower your risk and help you survive a fire.

In addition to keeping our community safe, Pennsauken's firefighters support fire companies in the surrounding municipalities, provide rescue services on local water-

ways, and can even respond to hazmat situations should they occur. They do more than hose down fires, although for some of the children attending the open

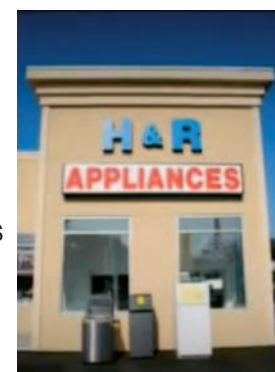
houses, the hoses were the best part. Future firefighters may have gotten their start tonight, because who didn't want to be a firefighter when they were young?

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A Special Postage Stamp For Labor Day, 1956

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J. McCloskey, Jr., a long-time artist for the bureau of engraving, who had previously produced the postage stamp depicting the flag raising on Iwo Jima, among many other famous designs. The depiction was based on a large mosaic in the new A.F. of L. building in Washington, D.C. by the renowned muralist Lumen M. Winter. It showed a laboring man with his family. He held four tools: an axe, a hoe, a pick, and a sledgehammer slung over his shoulder. A length of rope hung from his arm; his other arm is around his wife, who holds a book open as their son reads from it. In the corner of the picture is a quote from the British

essayist Thomas Carlyle, "Labor Is Life."

Plans for the Labor Day observances continued to grow throughout the month of August. Sales of the stamp would open at the Camden post office at 7:00 a.m., but an official dedication ceremony by postal service officials would take place at 9:00 a.m. From the Camden post office, a motorcade bearing the VIPs would proceed to Arlington Cemetery for the wreath laying at the memorial to Peter J. McGuire at 11:00 a.m. and then a return to Camden for a luncheon for 400 at Kenney's. The observances that day would also have special significance for the labor movement, as it was the first since the recent merger of

the A.F. of L. and the C.I.O.

The carefully planned order of events became somewhat academic, however, when President Eisenhower decided to have a dedication ceremony of his own for the new stamp on Saturday, Sept. 1. The President had received a very sweet invitation to the Camden ceremonies from Peter J. McGuire's great granddaughter, Jo Ann Dougherty of Pennsauken. However, the press of world affairs and a political campaign made a Presidential visit impractical.

Therefore, Ike invited members of the Dougherty family to join him instead for the early ceremony at the White House.

While the ceremonies in observance of Labor Day at Arlington Cemetery have been held annually since P.J. McGuire's burial in 1906, few have been as memorable and historic as this 50th occasion, with its philatelic tribute to the father of Labor Day.

Sources for this column include contemporary newspaper accounts in the Courier-Post; the pam-

phlet "The Story of a Forgotten Giant—P.J. McGuire, Father of Labor Day;" and the website Arago.si.edu.



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PASA and Residents Create Awareness About Drug Abuse



By Albert Dadson,
AAP Intern

The Pennsauken Alliance on Substance Abuse (PASA) had another meeting on the 16th of August; it turned out to be a very emotional meeting, with the community sharing heart-felt stories about their first hand experiences with drug abuse. Bill Finnegan, PASA coordinator, was very happy about the town's involvement during the meeting.

"I thought it was amazing to find out how many people in this town have suffered personal loss," said Finnegan. "I might have thought we would have people that had complaints about drug dealers on the corner, but they had personal experiences."

Finnegan presented attendees with two questions. The first was: "Do you think Pennsauken has a problem with the misuse and abuse of alcohol and drugs?" Everyone that was there agreed that the answer was yes. The second: "Do you think the community is aware of the problem?"

After Finnegan raised these two questions, people went in their groups and wrote out their answers. When they reconvened, they shared their personal experiences to everyone in attendance. Finnegan helped guide the conversation by telling his personal experiences with students that he taught in the past.

"I think the fact that I see and hear a lot of this first hand with the students

does help guide the meeting in a certain way, but I don't want to put ideas into anybody's head," explained Finnegan. "For instance, one thing we haven't gotten to yet is adult drug abuse, but if we want to talk about kids for now, that's fine."

The meeting then turned to a discussion about what PASA could do about substance abuse in the community and how they could spread the word. Finnegan mentioned that Pennsauken High School had guest speakers come in and talk to the incoming freshman. The group wanted to focus on getting PSAs or some type of videos into the schools via their television system as early as the intermediate school to tell the kids on the dangers of substance abuse.

"We could do PSAs in the schools," said Finnegan. "There is also the possi-

bility that we could do a full length video, but I wouldn't want to do that in place of having people come in and talk. It's less personal."

Finnegan added that we wanted someone that has been involved first hand with substance abuse to talk to the kids because he thinks that is when they will have a break through.

"Kids need to hear from somebody that's going to make a difference," explains Finnegan. "If one kid changes their mind about what they are going to do, then we made a difference."

The next meeting of PASA is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, Sept. 13, 7:00 p.m. at the PYAA Field House, 3501 Elm Ave., Pennsauken. The organization welcomes all audiences to come and express their feelings on substance abuse. For more information, e-mail PASA. PennsaukenDrugAlliance@gmail.com.

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Early registration and packet pick-up will be held on Friday, Sept. 9 from 12:00 to 6:00 p.m.; and Saturday, Sept. 10 from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at RunningCo. of Haddonfield, 121 East Kings Highway, Haddonfield, N.J. The race at Cooper River Park begins on Sunday, Sept. 11 at 9:11 a.m. sharp. The awards ceremony immediate follows.

For registration fees and more information, visit www.travismanion.org/tmf_911run_race/pennsauken-911-heroes-run.

Camden County Hero Scholarship Fund Golf Outing Held At Pennsauken Country Club September 20

The Camden County Hero Scholarship Fund is hosting its 24th Annual Golf Outing on Tuesday, Sept. 20 at Pennsauken Country Club, 3800 Haddonfield Ave. The event is hosted in conjunction with the Camden County Fire Chief's and Officer's Association, the Camden County Police Chief's Association, the Camden County Firemen's Association and the George Figueroa Memorial Fund. The proceeds of this event will benefit the families of Camden County's police, fire and rescue personnel.

The Camden County Hero Scholarship Fund is a registered public charity whose mission is to provide financial and educational assistance to families of those who have been killed or totally and permanently disabled in the line of duty.

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The Hero Scholarship provides the surviving family with a financial contribution within 48 hours of the incident. The organization also offers each surviving child educational assistance once they reach college age. Currently, several children are attending college on this program, with more on the list in the years to come. Support from the community will help to ensure our promise of educational assistance to these young survivors.

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By Eric Mossop,
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Coach Clinton Tabb's Code Red football team will look to rebound from a disappointing 2015 campaign. They will be tested often, as three of their divisional opponents are ranked in the pre-season top 25 polls by the Courier-Post. The team has worked hard throughout the off season and is determined to prove it has its place amongst the best in the West Jersey Football League National Division. Seniors Martin Booker, Jr., running back; Josh Echevarria, defen-

Training For Another Successful Fall Season

sive lineman; and Zaire Davis, quarterback, have provided the leadership essential for achieving the lofty goals set forth by Coach Tabb and the team!

Coach Shana Smeriglio has guided the PHS field hockey team to seven consecutive NJSIAA playoff appearances and plans to make that eight this season! Returning first team all conference honoree Arielis Reyes, as well as second team honorees Selena Carter and Cherrie Kim, provide a strong core for this exciting team to build around.

Boys and girls soccer expect to field competitive programs this season after grooming many young players last year. Jose Ravelo, Andrew Dicken, and Joe Mendoza will be Coach Billy Snyder's go-to men on the field this season, with Aaron Chester returning in goal. Coach Mark Klimek will rely heavily on the talents of Deja Gillis, Emily Gmyr, Teyonna Johnson, and Sharlize Burgos, as they look to improve on last year's building season.

After a highly successful season with boys volleyball this past spring, Coach Jack Killion Jr. returns to the court with the girls volleyball team. Under Coach Killion's leadership last season, the team has experienced a significant increase in participants and level of play. All of us here at PHS look forward to the cohesive and rambunctious style of play!

The cross country team has been putting in plenty of time on the track and at Cooper River this offseason, trying to

build off of the huge success from last year. Chris Bakely has shown major improvement, and is looking to stand out this upcoming season.

Our cheerleading team has also been training during the offseason under the new coaching staff of PHS teachers Jen O'Malley and Jen Maioriello.

Log on to our website, Pennsauken.net, and check out our upcoming schedule to come see your favorite team in action!

Friday Night Lights On October 7

Mark your calendar NOW for Friday Oct. 7 at 7:00 p.m., when your Indians take on the Camden Catholic Fighting Irish for our annual "Friday Night Lights" game at historic Vince McAneney Field. There is expected to be a huge crowd on hand to support our Code Red football team, as this annual event is quickly becoming a very popular event at PHS!

All Star Boosters Club

The Pennsauken All Sports Boosters Club will host parents, community members, alumni, and business leaders at their Sept. 13 meeting, held at 6:45 p.m. in the PHS library. Refreshments will be served, and club members are excited about recruiting new parents to assist in the numerous activities planned for the upcoming year. The Club presents the Code Red football program, sponsors

the end of year athletic awards night, and awards over \$5,000 in scholarships to graduating seniors annually!

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teacher at Pennsauken High School who passed away on January 20, 2016. A portion of the proceeds for this year's event will be donated in Coach McAneney's name to the Adam Taliaferro Founda-

tion, an organization that assists individuals with spinal cord injuries and their families.

Last year, the event's \$85 tax deductible green fees, as well as other spon-

sorships and donations, enabled the Robert "Ike" Willis Memorial Foundation to award \$14,000 in scholarship money to seniors at Pennsauken High School and \$400 to graduating Phifer Middle School students. Briana Roberts, a college-bound senior, received one of the athletic scholarships for \$4,000. This fall, she will be attending the University of Maryland, Baltimore Campus. Malek Maddah, the recipient of both a \$4,000 athletic scholarship and a \$750 departmental scholarship for social studies, will

be attending Rutgers University in New Brunswick, majoring in Cell Biology and Neuroscience.

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